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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 4 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

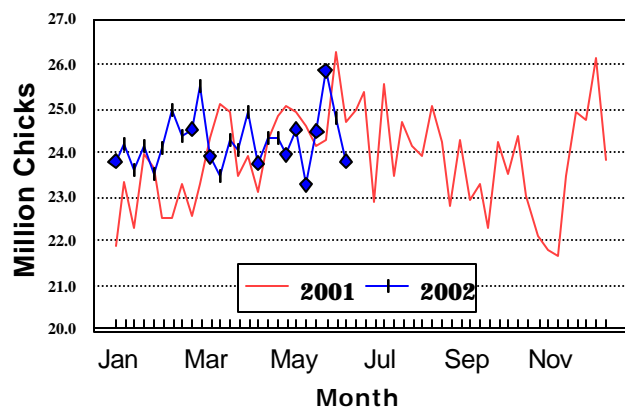
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 23.8 million during the week ending June 22, 2002. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2001, and also down 4 percent from the previous week, and included 2.8 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through June 22, 2002 were 606.8 million, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 25.4 million, down 1 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and down 2 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.9 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.3 percent.

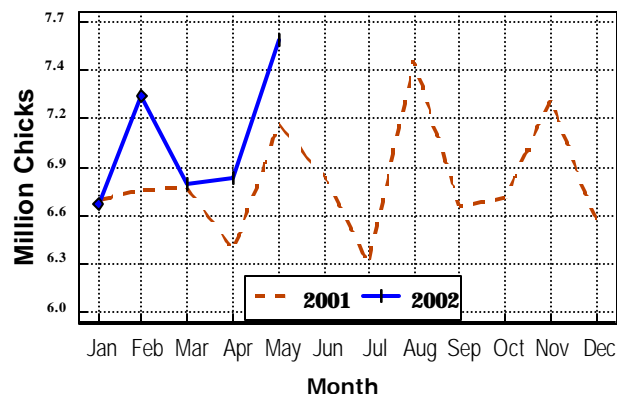
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 30.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 22, 2002, up 2 percent from the same period last year, and up slightly from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 7.6 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2002, up 7 percent from May 2001.

ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS BY WEEK, 2001 - 2002



U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS



NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS

| Week Ending | Year | | % Change |
|-------------|--------|--------|----------|
| | 2001 | 2002 | |
| | 1,000 | | |
| May | 24,954 | 24,545 | 98 |
| May | 24,590 | 23,262 | 95 |
| June | 24,144 | 24,514 | 102 |
| June | 24,301 | 25,846 | 106 |
| June | 26,284 | 24,784 | 94 |
| June | 24,688 | 23,822 | 96 |

U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED

| Month | Year | | % Change |
|-------|---------|---------|----------|
| | 2000-01 | 2001-02 | |
| | 1,000 | | |
| Dec. | 6,429 | 6,577 | 102 |
| Jan. | 6,685 | 6,660 | 100 |
| Feb. | 6,748 | 7,275 | 108 |
| Mar. | 6,752 | 6,775 | 100 |
| Apr. | 6,398 | 6,814 | 107 |
| May | 7,117 | 7,597 | 107 |

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002

| STATE | EGGS SET (in Thousands) | | | | | CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands) | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|----------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| | Week Ending | | | | 1/ % | Week Ending | | | | | | 1/ % |
| | 01-Jun | 08-Jun | 15-Jun | 22-Jun | | 18-May | 25-May | 01-Jun | 08-Jun | 15-Jun | 22-Jun | |
| Alabama | 29,510 | 29,497 | 29,532 | 28,913 | 101 | 22,408 | 22,923 | 22,280 | 22,467 | 22,064 * | 22,081 | 100 |
| ARKANSAS | 30,531 | 30,870 | 30,448* | 30,594 | 102 | 24,545 | 23,262 | 24,514 | 25,846 | 24,784 * | 23,822 | 96 |
| Delaware | 3,666* | 3,402* | 3,623 | 3,422 | 99 | 4,473 | 5,577 | 5,705 * | 5,648 * | 5,362 | 5,293 | 91 |
| Florida | 2,362 | 2,371 | 2,364 | 2,367 | 105 | 2,302 | 2,334 | 2,349 | 2,315 | 2,458 | 2,491 | 113 |
| Georgia | 32,688 | 32,724* | 32,672 | 31,874 | 104 | 25,853 | 25,272 | 26,893 | 26,542 * | 25,748 * | 26,368 | 99 |
| Kentucky | 7,033 * | 6,973 * | 6,939 * | 6,239 | 99 | 5,326 | 5,810 | 5,292 * | 5,479 * | 5,631 * | 5,965 | 112 |
| Maryland | 10,023 | 9,898 | 9,962 | 9,967 | 102 | 6,407 | 6,018 | 5,428 | 5,861 | 6,315 | 6,406 | 116 |
| Mississippi | 19,280 | 19,320 | 19,130 | 18,844 | 102 | 15,169 | 16,034 | 15,554 | 16,183 | 16,113 | 16,150 | 102 |
| N. Carolina | 19,313 * | 19,980 | 18,881 | 18,896 | 102 | 15,565 | 15,370 | 15,453 | 15,912 | 15,243 | 15,558 | 105 |
| Oklahoma | 6,687 | 6,836 | 6,763 | 6,906 | 113 | 4,500 | 5,210 | 4,815 | 4,821 | 4,870 | 4,571 | 92 |
| Pennsylvania | 3,983 | 3,998 | 4,041* | 4,023 | 104 | 2,702 | 2,740 | 2,527 | 2,693 | 2,756 * | 2,782 | 107 |
| S. Carolina | 4,871 | 4,723 | 4,758 | 4,786 | 102 | 3,800 | 4,104 | 3,636 | 3,498 | 4,607 | 3,741 | 97 |
| Texas | 15,323 | 15,290 | 15,250 | 14,662 | 99 | 12,204 | 12,277 | 12,292 | 12,122 | 12,148 | 12,283 | 104 |
| Virginia | 6,467 | 6,363 | 6,395 | 6,371 | 98 | 5,585 | 5,378 | 6,036 | 5,764 | 5,316 * | 5,319 | 96 |
| CAL,MO,TN,WV | 20,673 | 20,689 | 20,743 | 20,231 | 103 | 20,469 | 19,473 | 20,022 | 19,196 | 19,440 * | 19,972 | 107 |
| Total 2002 | 212,410* | 212,934 * | 211,501* | 208,095 | | 171,308 | 171,782 | 172,796* | 174,347* | 172,855* | 172,802 | |
| Total 2001 | 210,296 | 209,517 | 209,074 | 204,020 | | 168,987 | 168,596 | 171,364 | 171,583 | 173,304 | 170,489 | |
| % Prev. Year | 101 | 102 | 101 | 102 | | 101 | 102 | 101 | 102 | 100 | 101 | |
| Approximate Marketing Date 2002..... | | | | | | 06-Jul | 13-Jul | 20-Jul | 27-Jul | 03-Aug | 10-Aug | |

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 2 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 208 million eggs during the week ending June 22, 2002. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 22, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through June 22, 2002 were 4.26 billion.

The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.